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TAGS: PFOR, ZA, CA

SUBJ: MAY 15 BORDER SHOOTING INCIDENT

REF: LUSAKA 1062

1. CANADIAN HICOM BROADBRIDGE REQUESTS FOLLOWING MESSAGE BE
PASSED EXTAFB ASAP.

2. QUOTE: TO: EXTERNAL OTT PDM GAA

INFO: CAPETOWN/ PRETORIA

REF: YOUR TEL GAA270 JUNE 13

SUBJ: DEATH OF CANADIAN CITIZENS

3. WE HAD NOTE PREPARED AND WERE ON POINT OF DELIVERY WHEN WE
RECEIVED FOLLOWING NOTE FROM FOREIGN MINISTRY DATED JUNE 14.
THIS NOTE ARISES OUT OF OUR INFORMAL APPROACH JUNE 13.

4. BEGIN TEXT: THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS OF THE GOVERNMENT
OF THE REPUBLIC OF ZAMBIA PRESENTS ITS COMPLIMENTS TO THE HIGH
COMMISSION OF CANADA AND WITH REFERENCE TO THE UNFORTUNATE AND
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TRAGIC SHOOTING INCIDENT OF 15 TH MAY, IN WHICH TWO CANADIAN GIRLS LOST THEIR LIVES, THE ZAMBIAN GOVERNMENT WOULD BE GRATEFUL IF THE CANADIAN AUTHORITIES WOULD CONSIDER THE POSSIBILITY OF SENDING A CANADIAN OFFICIAL FROM OTTAWA TO VISIT ZAMBIA AND HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY OF VISITING THE PLACE OF THE INCIDENT. THE ZAMBIAN GOVERNMENT THINKS THAT SUCH A VISIT FROM A SENIOR OFFICIAL OF THE CANADIAN GOVERNMENT WOULD CONTRIBUTE GREATLY TOWARDS IMPROVING THE RELATIONS BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES, ESPECIALLY IN THE LIGHT OF THE RECENT INCIDENT REFERRED TO ABOVE.

5. THE MINISTRY ALSO UNDERSTAND THAT MR. AND MRS. O. L. DRIJBER, THE PARENTS OF ONE OF THE TWO GIRLS WHO LOST HER LIFE IN THE ABOVE INCIDENT, ARE CURRENTLY IN SOUTH AFRICA. THE ZAMBIAN GOVERNMENT WOULD WELCOME MR. AND MRS. DRIJBER VISITING ZAMBIA PROVIDED THAT THEY COME EITHER BY MALAWI OR KAZUNGULA. HIS EXCELLENCY THE PRESIDENT AND MRS. KAUNDA HAVE INDICATED THAT HE WOULD RECEIVE MR. AND MRS. DRIJBER ON A FAMILY TO FAMILY BASIS SHOULD THEY ACCEPT THE PROPOSAL TO COME TO ZAMBIA. END TEXT.

6. WITH REF TO PARA 2 OF NOTE, I HAVE PASSED THIS INFO TO CAMPBELL IN CAPETOWN BY PHONE BUT PRESUME YOU WILL PASS TEL ON TO HIM.

7. WITH REF TO PARA 1, LEITH WAS TO GO ON INVITATION TO FALLS TODAY IN COMPANY WITH MINISTRY OF INFORMATION GROUP WHICH INCLUDES EMBASSY AND HIGHCOM PRESS ATTACHES BUT THIS HAS BEEN POSTPONED UNTIL MON. LEITH WILL BE THERE ON MON. WHEN THIS WAS POINTED OUT TO FOREIGN MINISTRY OFFICIAL, REPLY INDICATED THAT THIS WAS FINE BUT THEY WANTED AN OFFICIAL DIRECT FROM CANADA. DIRECT IMPLICATION WAS THAT LEITH WAS COMPROMISED AND HAD PREJUDICED ZAMBIAN POSITION BECAUSE OF SO- CALLED LEITH REPORT AND PRESUMABLY THEY WANTED SOMEONE WHO HAD NOT/ NOT BEEN INVOLVED.

ON THIS POINT WE DID THINK OF MR. GERIN- LAJOIE WHO WILL BE HERE AT END OF MONTH FOR ADB MEETING BUT THIS WOULD NOT/ NOT IN OUR VIEW BE ADVISABLE BECAUSE HIS POSITION AS PRESIDENT OF CIDA MIGHT LOOK AS IF WE WERE CLOSELY ALIGNING OUR AID PROGRAM TO ANY REPORT HE MIGHT MAKE. GRATEFUL FOR YOUR COMMENTS ON PARA 1 IN DUE COURSE. BROADBRIDGE. UNQUOTE. WILKOWSKI

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